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# **Fiscal Note**

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Bill Topic: HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSE STATE WILDLIFE AREA

No fiscal impact. The bill prohibits the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission from requiring a hunting or fishing license to access a state wildlife area for individuals who are not hunting or fishing. The bill codifies a newly established current practice; as such, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriation Summary:

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#### **Summary of Legislation**

The bill prohibits the Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Commission from requiring the possession of a hunting or fishing license to enter a state wildlife area (SWA) for individuals who are not hunting or fishing.

### Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

Beginning July 1, 2020, the CPW Commission prohibited access for all individuals 18 and older unless they held a valid hunting or fishing license. On March 17, 2021, the CPW Commission adopted rules allowing access for individuals holding a newly created State Wildlife Area pass. Because the bill codifies current practice, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

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